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For : GLASS OR GLASS CERAMIC PLATE WITH A
SAFETY EDGE AND METHOD FOR THE
MANUFACTURE THEREOF

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-14, without prejudice and substitute the following claims:

15. Glass or glass ceramic plate for a kitchen appliance, especially a cooking or baking surface, wherein the plate has a safe edge, characterized in that the safe edge is formed by a cross-sectional profiled portion thicker than the thickness of the plate, which merges integrally and seamlessly with the plate and is upset or shaped on the rolled plate.
16. Glass or glass ceramic plate according to claim 15, wherein the profiled portion projects above the upper side and/or below the bottom side of the plate.
17. Glass or glass ceramic plate according to claim 15, wherein the upper side and/or the lower side of the plate is flat within the profiled portion.